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General Assembly

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2. Opening of the general debate [item 8]
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4. Address by His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America
5. Address by His Excellency Andrzej Duda, President of the Republic of Poland
6. Address by His Excellency Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China
7. Address by His Majesty Abdullah II Ibn Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
8. Address by His Excellency Vladimir Putin, President of the Russian Federation
9. Address by Her Excellency Park Geun-hye, President of the Republic of Korea
10. Address by His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran

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11. Address by His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic
12. Address by His Highness Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar
13. Address by His Excellency Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique
14. Address by His Majesty Willem-Alexander, King of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
15. Address by His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan
16. Address by His Excellency Enrique Peña Nieto, President of the United Mexican States
17. Address by His Excellency Aníbal António Cavaco Silva, President of the Republic of Portuguese
18. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by His Excellency Lars Løkke Rasmussen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark

    Statement by His Excellency Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

15:00 14th plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall[1]

1. Address by His Excellency Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
2. Address by Her Excellency Michelle Bachelet Jeria, President of the Republic of Chile
3. Address by His Excellency Raúl Castro Ruz, President of the Councils of State and Ministers of the Republic of Cuba
4. Address by His Excellency Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa
5. Address by His Excellency Abdel Fattah Al Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt
6. Address by Her Excellency Simonetta Sommaruga, President of the Swiss Confederation
7. Address by His Excellency Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe
8. Address by Her Excellency Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, President of the Republic of Argentina
9. Address by His Excellency Alexander Lukashenko, President of the Republic of Belarus
10. Address by His Excellency Muhammadu Buhari, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
11. Address by His Excellency Ali Bongo Ondimba, President of the Gabonese Republic
12. Address by His Excellency Horacio Manuel Cartes Jara, President of the Republic of Paraguay

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13. Address by His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of the Republic of Kenya
14. Address by His Excellency Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal
15. Address by His Excellency Ibrahim Boubacar Keita, President of the Republic of Mali
16. Address by His Excellency Rafael Correa Delgado, President of the Republic of Ecuador
17. Address by His Excellency Evo Morales Ayma, Constitutional President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
18. Address by His Excellency Anote Tong, President, Head of Government and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kiribati
19. Address by His Excellency Ollanta Humala Tasso, President of the Republic of Peru

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting Executive meeting	Conference Room 10

Other meetings

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Monday, 28 September 2015

Arab Group (Arab-South-American meeting)

09:00 to 16:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries: Meeting of the Heads of States and Governments

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

OIC Contact Group on Somalia (at the ministerial level)

15:00 to 16:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

OIC Contact Group on Sierra Leone (at the ministerial level)

16:30 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Other activities

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Event on "Collect More - Spend Better: A contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (organized by the Delegation of the European Union)

From 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Delegation of the European Union (Ms. Alina Necula (e-mail alina.necula@eeas.europa.eu); Mr. Jose Correia Nunes (e-mail jose.correia-nunes@ec.europa.eu); or Ms. Iris Mueller (e-mail iris.mueller@ec.europa.eu).]

High-level event on "The Path towards Universal Health Coverage" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France, Japan, Liberia, Senegal, Thailand, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Global Fund and the World Bank)

From 10:30 to 12:00, in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Maury Guadalupe, Permanent Mission of Japan (e-mail maury.guadalupe@dn.mofa.go.jp); or Mr. Bryan Morris (e-mail events@theglobalfund.org).]

High-level event on "Global Peace Leadership: Women, Youth and Interfaith Dialogue" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kiribati and Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Justine Su, Permanent Mission of Kiribati (e-mail kimission.newyork@mfa.gov.ki; tel. 1 (212) 867-3310); or Ms. Jennifer Junn (e-mail nyhwpl@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 207-2504 or 1 (646) 300-4889).]

High-level event on "Innovative financing: Showcasing solutions to implement the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Chile and France, in collaboration with the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development secretariat)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rachel Rouchouse, Permanent Mission of France (tel. 1 (212) 702-4933); or e-mail contact@leadinggroup.org).]

High-level event on "Objective 2030 – a momentum for the success of the new sustainable development agenda" (organized by the Permanent Observer for the International Organization of la Francophonie (OIF))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Claire Schiettecatte, OIF (e-mail claire.schiettecatte@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).]

High-level panel discussion on "The Vision We Need to Fulfill Goal 17" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD))

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ulrik Nørgaard Rønsbo, Permanent Mission of Denmark (e-mail ulrron@um.dk; tel. 1 (917) 582-9273).]

High-level event on "The Syrian Refugee Crisis and the Toll of Indiscriminate Weapons" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Luxembourg)

From 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 3. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Sina Khabirpour, Permanent Mission of Luxembourg (e-mail sina.khabirpour@mae.etat.lu; tel. 1 (212) 715-3935).]

High-level event on "Linking Landlocked Developing Countries to Global Opportunities" (organized by the United Nations Office of the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS))

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Louise Stoddard, UN-OHRLLS (e-mail stoddard@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5370).]

Event on "Oceans 14: Implementing the Samoa Pathway and Sustainable Development Goal 14 by the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) through Public-Private Partnerships" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in collaboration with the United Nations Office of the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS))

From 16:00 to *18:00*, in Conference Room 2. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Sidney Kemble, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail sidney.kemble@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9647; or 1 (646) 301-1209).]

High-level event on "Which concrete measures can help supporting the Social and Solidarity Economy (SSE) on national and international levels as part of the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)?" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, in collaboration with the Mont-Blanc Meetings (MBM))

From 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 7. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rachel Rouchouse, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail rachel.rouchouse@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4933).]

Meeting of High-Level Officials of South America (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador and the Africa-South America Cooperative Forum (ASACOF))

From 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sergio Shcherbakov, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.it; tel. 1 (212) 935-1680).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Monday, 28 September 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, scheduled for *today,* 28 September 2015, please *click here.*

Official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on indicators and terminology relating to disaster risk reduction
First session
Geneva, 29-30 September 2015

The Open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on indicators and terminology relating to disaster risk reduction, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/284 of 3 June 2015, will hold its first session from Tuesday, 29 September, to Wednesday, 30 September 2015. The first meeting will be convened on Tuesday, 29 September 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room XIX.

The first session will be preceded by informal meetings *today,* 28 September 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room XIX. [webcast]

The provisional agenda and the provisional calendar and programme of work are contained in documents A/AC.285/1 and A/AC.285/2, respectively. Background information on the Working group and relevant documents are available by *clicking here.*

General Assembly
Seventieth session
General debate (28 September-3 October 2015)

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum. Delegations may wish to inform their capitals accordingly.

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate in the Security Council Chamber on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber, on "Settlement of conflicts in the Middle East and North Africa and countering terrorist threat in the region," in connection with the agenda item "Maintenance of international peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). *Delegations that will participate in this open debate at high level should clearly indicate the exact name and title of the speaker in the Rule 37 inscription letter.* Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

A meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the "International Day for the Total elimination of Nuclear Weapons" will be held on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, at 11:00, in Conference Room 1. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 September 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Ms. Lucia Andaya (e-mail andaya@un.org) *no later than today,* 28 September 2015. Statements should not exceed *four minutes*. Delegations are also requested to kindly submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart10@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement

The Secretary-General will hold a high-level meeting on "Strengthening cooperation on migration and refugee movements in the perspective of the new development agenda" on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 4. A secondary pass for each participant will be required for this meeting; a total of *three passes* will be issued per delegation. Speakers are reminded that their statements will be limited to *three minutes*.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

In accordance with the General Assembly resolution 69/316, as part of commemoration of the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations, a high-level thematic debate on the theme "Maintenance of international peace and security", will be convened on Thursday, 1, and Friday, 2 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 September 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063). Statements should not exceed *five minutes*. Delegations are also requested to kindly submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart10@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 29 September 2015

General Assembly
Seventieth session

09:00 15th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall[1]

1. Address by His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda
2. Address by His Excellency David Arthur Granger, President of the Republic of Guyana
3. Address by His Excellency Hage Geingob, President of the Republic of Namibia
4. Address by His Excellency Emomali Rahmon, President of the Republic of Tajikistan
5. Address by His Excellency Sauli Niinistö, President of the Republic of Finland
6. Address by His Excellency Elbegdorj Tsakhia, President of Mongolia
7. Address by His Excellency Klaus Werner Iohannis, President of Romania
8. Address by His Excellency Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon
9. Address by His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of the Republic of Colombia
10. Address by His Excellency Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine
11. Address by His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland

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12. Address by His Excellency Nicos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus
13. Address by His Excellency Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone
14. Address by His Excellency Arthur Peter Mutharika, President of the Republic of Malawi
15. Address by His Excellency Tabaré Vázquez, President of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay
16. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by the European Union

    Statement by His Excellency Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan

    Statement by His Highness Sheikh Jaber Al Mubarak Al Hamad Al Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait

    Statement by His Excellency Joseph Muscat, Prime Minister of the Republic of Malta

15:00 16th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall[1]

1. Address by His Excellency Serzh Sargsyan, President of the Republic of Armenia
2. Address by His Excellency Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania
3. Address by His Excellency Nicolás Maduro Moros, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
4. Address by Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia
5. Address by His Excellency Edgar Chagwa Lungu, President of the Republic of Zambia
6. Address by His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia
7. Address by His Excellency Danilo Medina Sánchez, President of the Dominican Republic
8. Address by Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania
9. Address by His Excellency James Alix Michel, President of the Republic of Seychelles
10. Address by His Excellency Miloš Zeman, President of the Czech Republic
11. Address by His Excellency Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania
12. Address by His Excellency Abdrabuh Mansour Hadi Mansour, President of the Republic of Yemen
13. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by Her Excellency Aja Isatou Njie-Saidy, Vice-President of the Republic of the Gambia

    Statement by His Excellency General Prayut Chan-o-Cha, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand

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Statement by His Excellency Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Statement by His Excellency Habib Essid, Head of Government of the Republic of Tunisia

Statement by His Excellency Samuela 'Akilisi Pohiva, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade and Minister for Education and Training of the Kingdom of Tonga

United Kingdom

Australia

General Assembly

Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251), see document A/70/252 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda and the general debate of the seventieth session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/INF/70/4. A draft programme of the work of the plenary for the seventieth session is contained in document A/69/972.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications.

If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

Organizational meeting

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4, to consider its provisional programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/70/CRP.1) and indicative timetable for thematic discussions (A/C.1/70/CRP.2). A list of documents of the Committee will be issued toward the end of September as A/C.1/70/INF/1.

Programme of work

The Committee will hold its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Thursday, 8, to Friday, 16 October 2015. The Committee will then hold thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items from Monday, 19 October to Monday, 2 November (morning). Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items will be from Monday, 2 November (afternoon) to Monday, 9 November 2015.

In the afternoon of Thursday, 22 October 2015, a joint ad hoc meeting of the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability will be held, pursuant to resolution 69/38.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open until Friday, 9 October 2015*, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will open on Monday, 12 October and close on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail.

Room reservations

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057).

Background information

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds.

With respect to (i) the process for consideration of possible programme budget implications (PBIs) of draft resolutions and decisions and (ii) editing of draft resolutions and decisions, an archived video of a 41-minute briefing by the Secretariat made after the 1st meeting of the sixty-ninth session, on 3 October 2014, is available by *clicking here*.

PaperSmart services

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal

should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, from15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 4. The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/69/463/Add.1.

The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Thursday, 8 October, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee *is now open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Requests of petitioners to address the Committee under item 63 of the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), should have been sent to the Chair of the Committee (c/o 4thcommittee@un.org; or fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information and website

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its substantive work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2. The programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and

side events for the session are available on the web site of the Committee by *clicking here*.

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for the general debate (Wednesday, 7, to Friday, 9 October 2015) and general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *are open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)). In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the time limits of *seven minutes* for individual Member States and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services will be available to the Second Committee at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

QuickPlace

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

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List of speakers

The Committee will begin its work on Tuesday, 6 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1. The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee *is* open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail

lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session, is available by *clicking here*.

QuickPlace and eSponsorship

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Room reservations

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org).

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available.

Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00 in Conference Room 3, to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, issued as document A/C.5/70/1.

The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/70/L.1.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Composition of delegations

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session (General Assembly decision 69/529 of 10 December 2014), as well as background information on the Sixth Committee and links to official documentation to be considered at the seventieth session, is available on the Committee's website (*click here*).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). *Please note* that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), agenda item 85 (Rule of law at the national and international levels) and agenda item 80 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Representatives of member States and observer States may register for access to the Unite Connections community of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session, through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee.

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 273rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Monday, 5 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 11. Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org, Room S-3632).

The meeting will *not be open* to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law
Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing (closed), convened by the Chair (Ghana) of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 12. The briefing is open to members of the Advisory Committee and other interested delegates (Fifth Committee and Sixth Committee).

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to notify the Secretary, *in writing* (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Arab Group (Arab-South-American meeting)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 09:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room D.

Arab Group (Arab-South-American Ministerial Meeting)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 09:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 11.

OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Rohingya (at the ministerial level)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Mali (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Yemen (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC (Annual Coordination Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs) (at the ministerial level)

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1; and

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1.

International Criminal Court: Meeting of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 08:30 to 09:30, in Conference Room 9.

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level event on "Empowering Women in Climate Action" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 08:00 to 09:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Antonin D'Ersu, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail antonin.dersu@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4946).]

High-level event on "Climate Risk And Early Warning Systems (CREWS): Early Warning System and Risk Information to reduce climate impacts in vulnerable countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, in collaboration with the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR), the World Bank, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO))

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 5.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Rachel Rouchouse, Permanent Mission of France (tel. 1 (212) 702-49330); or e-mail crews.initiative@diplomatie.gouv.fr.]

Event on "The Fundamental Link between Climate and Development: Identifying links for both" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liberia and Norway, and the Center for Global Development)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gail Farngalo, Permanent Mission of Liberia (e-mail zakwahf@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (212) 687-1033).]

Event entitled "Making it happen: ending inequalities and ensuring sanitation, water and hygiene for all as a basis for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Hungary, the Netherlands and South Africa, in collaboration with UN-Water, Sanitation and Water for All, Water Aid, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the Women for Water Partnership)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sophia van den Ende, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail sophia-vanden.ende@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (646) 515-2914).]

Event on "Moving Away from the Death Penalty: The Voices of Victims' Families" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Benin, Fiji, France, Italy and Rwanda, and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and observer missions, United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

High-level event on "Making it happen: From Millennium Development Goals to Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific" (co-organized by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Asian Development Bank)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sudip Ranjan Basu, ESCAP (e-mail basu@un.org).]

High-level event on "Millennium Development Goals to Sustainable Development Goals: A Way Forward" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh)

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 16:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Andalib Elias, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail andalib.elias@mofa.gov.bd; tel. 1 (212) 867-3434).]

High-level ministerial event on "Leaving No one Behind: Equality and Inclusion in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, El Salvador, France, Israel, Japan, Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the United Kingdom and Uruguay, the United States Mission, the European Union, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Human Rights Watch (HRW) and the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC))

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 17:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the European Union Delegation (e-mails yaron.oppenheimer@minbuza.nl; or rafael.de-bustamante@eeas.europa.eu); to register, please *click here.*]

High-Level Officials Meeting (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador and the Africa-South America Cooperative Forum (ASACOF))

Tuesday, 29 September 2015, at 17:15, in Conference Room 3.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sergio Shcherbakov, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.it; tel. 1 (212) 935-1680).]

High-level event on the "World Humanitarian Summit: Humanitarian Action - A Forward Looking Agenda" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 2.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Rodriguez, OCHA (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2770).]

Event on "Community-led Development: Key to Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Philippines and the Movement for Community-led Development)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 10:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Maria Teresa Narbuada, Permanent Mission of the Philippines (e-mail tetnarbuada@nypm.org; tel. 1 (212) 764-1300).]

Ceremony of the Formal Establishment of Small Island Developing States Sustainable Energy Initiative DOCK (SIDS DOCK) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Dominica, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Austria, Denmark, Japan and Sweden, and the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC), the United Nations Industrial Organization (UNIDO) and the Clinton Climate Initiative (CCI))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Permanent Mission of Dominica (e-mail dominicaun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 599-8478).]

High-level ministerial meeting on "Framing the veto in the event of mass atrocities" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France and Mexico)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:00 to 12:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of France (Mr. Aymeric Chuzeville (e-mail aymeric.chuzeville@diplomatie.gouv.fr); or Ms. Ahlem Gharbi (e-mail ahlem.gharbi@diplomatie.gouv.fr); tel. 1 (212) 702-4900); or the Permanent Mission of Mexico (Mr. Ricardo Alday (e-mail ralday@sre.gob.mx); or Ms. Lorena Alvarado (e-mail lalvarado@sre.gob.mx); tel. 1 (212) 752-0220).]

High-level meeting on "Ad Hoc Liaison Committee Meeting" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 13:15 to 15:00, in Conference Room 8 (Conference Room 5 will serve as an overflow room).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Emilie Everett, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail emilie.everett@mfa.no).]

Ad Hoc Meeting of High-Level Officials (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador and the Africa-South America Cooperative Forum (ASACOF))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sergio Shcherbakov, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.it; tel. 1 (212) 935-1680).]

High-level ministerial event on "Women, Peace and Security in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Kenya, Namibia, Spain, Thailand and the United Arab Emirates)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Cupellini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).]

Event on "Transitions to democracy and sustainable development: Lessons from country experiences" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) and the Community of Democracies)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room 6.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran Lettrich, Office of the Permanent Observer for International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).]

High-level ministerial event on "The Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. René Holbach, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail rene.holbach@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 230).]

Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations Annual Ministerial Meeting (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6209 or 1 (929) 274-6212).]

High-level briefing on ""Preparations for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) on the World Drug Problem" (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Friday, 2 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All permanent missions and permanent observers are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jason Reichelt, UNODC (e-mail reichelt@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3704).]

Briefing on "Women's rights in conflict: evidence and recommendations" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Uruguay, the Human Rights Watch and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-WOMEN))

Monday, 5 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca).]

Event entitled "Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) National Action Plans: Rising to the Challenges of International Security and the Emergence of Artificial Intelligence" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia, in collaboration with the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Wednesday, 7 October 2015, from 15:00 to 17:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Giorgi Kvelashvili, Permanent Mission of Georgia (e-mail gkvelashvili@mfa.gov.ge; tel. 1 (212) 759-1949, ext. 208).]

Announcements

Live coverage of the general debate of the General Assembly (28 September–1 October 2015)

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the General Assembly Website. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

The General Debate website (*click here*) will cover live the debate in English and French, where each speaker will have a dedicated page with their photo, summary of their speech, video in English, French and original language and downloadable audio versions of their speech in all United Nations official languages, as well as the texts of their statements.

The general debate of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live (in all United Nations official languages) and on-demand (English and original language) over the Internet. The broadcast will be accessible through the United Nations Web TV website by *clicking here*.

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held on Tuesday, 29 September 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1.

Credentials (Ratifying States only)

Ratifying States are reminded that credentials should be issued for their representatives and the name of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (CTBT-Art.XIV/2015/1). All credentials should be submitted to Ms. Junko Hirakawa, Conference Secretariat, Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) (e-mail hirakawa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3031; Room S-3161).

Composition of delegations (Signatory and Other States, intergovernmental organizations)

Signatory and Other States, as well as specialized agencies, related organizations and intergovernmental organizations attending the Conference are requested to send the composition of their delegations to the Conference secretariat as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the composition of delegations (*Microsoft Word format only*) may be sent by e-mail to Ms. Nadine Parsi (e-mail nadine.parsi@ctbto.org; tel. +431 26030-6113).

List of speakers

The provisional list of speakers for the general exchange of views by ratifying States and signatories *is open*. Those wishing to add the names of their representatives to the

list of speakers are invited to fax their request to Mr. Hong Tan (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; fax 1 (917) 367-1767).

Accreditation and access arrangements

With reference to paragraph 14 of document CTBT-Art.XIV/2015/INF.1, entitled "Information for participants" at the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, all delegates are reminded that security regulations in force require all participants in the Conference to be registered and have a valid grounds pass plus a colour-coded access card. Packages including access cards for Member States prepared by the Protocol and Liaison Service may be collected in the Protocol Office at Room S-0201 during office hours.

Participants wishing to distribute copies of their statements are requested to provide *300 copies* of their official statements for distribution in the conference room. The United Nations Secretariat does not provide photocopying services.

Further information on the Conference can be found on the CTBTO Preparatory Commission website (*click here*); or on the ODA website by *clicking here*.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2015*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents (English, French, Spanish)

Treaty Research (English)

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation (English)

General Assembly Documentation (English, French)

Security Council Documentation (English)

Finding Speeches (English)

Voting Information (English)

Introduction to Library Services (English)

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Saturday, 26 September 2015

General Assembly

Seventieth session

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8th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda [items 15 and 116]

The General Assembly continued the High-level Plenary Meeting of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard addresses by His Excellency Ollanta Humala Tasso, President of the Republic of Peru; His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland; His Excellency Ikililou Dhoinine, President of the Union of the Comoros; His Excellency Ali Bongo Ondimba, President of the Gabonese Republic; His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia; His Excellency Boni Yayi, President of the Republic of Benin; His Excellency Ibrahim Boubacar Keita, President of the Republic of Mali; His Excellency Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania; Her Excellency Catherine Samba-Panza, Head of State of the Transition of the Central African Republic; His Excellency Andrea Belluzzi I and His Excellency Roberto Venturini I, Captain Regents of the Republic of San Marino; His Excellency Danilo Medina Sánchez, President of the Dominican Republic; and His Excellency Edgar Chagwa Lungu, President of the Republic of Zambia.

Statements were made by His Excellency Teodoro Nguema Obiang Mangue, Vice-President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea; His Excellency Joseph Butore, Vice-President of the Republic of Burundi; His Excellency Kenny Davis Anthony, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Economic Affairs and Social Security of Saint Lucia; and His Excellency Meltek Sato Kilman Livtuvanu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Vanuatu.

The General Assembly heard an address by His Excellency Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania.

Statements were made by His Excellency Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji; His Excellency Patrice Emery Trovoada, Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe; and His Excellency Samiuela 'Akilisi Pohiva, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade and Minister for Education and Training of the Kingdom of Tonga.

9th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda [items 15 and 116]

The General Assembly continued the High-level Plenary Meeting of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

His Excellency Riyad Al-Malki, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Palestine, made a statement.

Statements were made by Her Excellency Natalia Gherman, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Moldova; His Excellency Leo Dion, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Inter-Government Relations of Papua New Guinea; and His Excellency Pavel Belobradek, Deputy Prime Minister of the Czech Republic.

Statements were made His Excellency Elmar Maharram Oglu Mammadyarov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan; His Excellency Samura Kamara, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Sierra Leone; Her Excellency Sheikha Lubna Bint Khalid Al Qassimi, Minister of International Cooperation and Development of the United Arab Emirates; His Excellency Murray McCully, Minister for Foreign Affairs of New Zealand; Her Excellency Louise Mushikiwabo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Rwanda; His Excellency Osman Mohammed Saleh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Eritrea; His Excellency Reyad Yassin Abdullah, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen; His Excellency Edward Nalbandian, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia; His Excellency Tony DeBrum, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; His Excellency Abdusalam Hadliyeh Omer, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Investment Promotion of Somalia; His Excellency Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, Secretary for Relations with States of the Holy See; and the Chairs of the Delegations of Nicaragua, the Syrian Arab Republic, Guinea-Bissau and Dominica.

Statements were made by Mr. Thomas Bach, President of the International Olympic Committee; Ms. Irene Khan, Director General of the International Development Law Organization; Mr. Yves Leterme, Secretary-General of the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance; Ms. Mireille Ballestrazzi, President of the International Criminal Police Organization; the representatives of the International Organization for Migration and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation; Mr. Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe; Mr. Patrick Gomes, Secretary General of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States; and Dr. Colin Tukuitonga, Director General of the Pacific Community.

Statements were made by Ms. Arancha González, Executive Director of the International Trade Centre, and Mr. Joan Clos, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme.

Statements were made by representatives of the International Forum of Non-Governmental Organizations Platforms in Seychelles and the World Farmer's Organization.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Armenia and Azerbaijan.

Sunday, 27 September 2015

General Assembly

Seventieth session

[archived video]

10th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda [items 15 and 116]

The General Assembly continued the High-level Plenary Meeting of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard addresses by His Excellency Heinz Fischer, Federal President of the Republic of Austria; Her Excellency Dilma Rousseff, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil; His Excellency Rafael Correa Delgado, President of the Republic of Ecuador; His Excellency Dragan Čović, Chair of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina; His Excellency Nicolás Maduro Moros, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela; His Excellency Tomislav Nikolić, President of the Republic of Serbia; His Excellency Emomali Rahmon, President of the Republic of Tajikistan; His Excellency Rosen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria; His Excellency Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa; His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; His Excellency Klaus Werner Iohannis, President of Romania; His Excellency Alexander Lukashenko, President of the Republic of Belarus; His Excellency Maithripala Sirisena, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka; Her Excellency Marie Louise Coleiro Preca, President of the Republic of Malta; and His Excellency Ismail Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti.

Statements were made by His Excellency James Wani Igga, Vice-President of the Republic of South Sudan; His Excellency Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan; His Excellency Charles Michel, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Belgium; Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh; His Excellency Keith Mitchell, Prime Minister of Grenada; His Excellency Dato' Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak, Prime Minister of Malaysia; His Excellency Matteo Renzi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy; His Excellency Habib Essid, Prime Minister of the Republic of Tunisia; His Excellency Alexis Tsipras, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic; and His Excellency Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Union.

The General Assembly heard an address by His Excellency Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine.

Statements were made by His Excellency Sergey Lavrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; His Excellency Khalid Bin Mohamed Al-Attiyah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Qatar; Her Excellency Dunya Maumoon, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Maldives; Her Excellency Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources of Singapore; His Excellency Ibrahim Al-Jaafari, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq; and His Excellency Adel Ahmed Al-Jubeir, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia.

His Excellency Silvan Shalom, Vice-Prime Minister of Israel, made a statement.

11th and 12th plenary meeting

The summary of the 11th and 12th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2015/186).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

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His Excellency Fodé Seck

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His Excellency Dato Abdul Ghafar Ismail

Eastern European States:
Serbia
His Excellency Milan Milanović

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Lucia
Her Excellency Menissa Rambally

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Her Excellency Catherine Boura

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Security Council

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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

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General Assembly
Seventieth session

09:00 — 16th plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda
2. Address by His Excellency David Arthur Granger, President of the Republic of Guyana
3. Address by His Excellency Hage Geingob, President of the Republic of Namibia
4. Address by His Excellency Emomali Rahmon, President of the Republic of Tajikistan
5. Address by His Excellency Sauli Niinistö, President of the Republic of Finland
6. Address by His Excellency Elbegdorj Tsakhia, President of Mongolia
7. Address by His Excellency Klaus Werner Iohannis, President of Romania
8. Address by His Excellency Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon
9. Address by His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of the Republic of Colombia
10. Address by His Excellency Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine
11. Address by His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland
12. Address by His Excellency Nicos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus

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13. Address by His Excellency Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone
14. Address by His Excellency Arthur Peter Mutharika, President of the Republic of Malawi
15. Address by His Excellency Tabaré Vázquez, President of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay
16. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by the European Union

    Statement by His Excellency Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan

    Statement by His Highness Sheikh Jaber Al Mubarak Al Hamad Al Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait

    Statement by His Excellency Matteo Renzi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy

15:00 17th plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Serzh Sargsyan, President of the Republic of Armenia
2. Address by His Excellency Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania
3. Address by His Excellency Nicolás Maduro Moros, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
4. Address by Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia
5. Address by His Excellency Edgar Chagwa Lungu, President of the Republic of Zambia
6. Address by His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia
7. Address by His Excellency Danilo Medina Sánchez, President of the Dominican Republic
8. Address by Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania
9. Address by His Excellency James Alix Michel, President of the Republic of Seychelles
10. Address by His Excellency Miloš Zeman, President of the Czech Republic
11. Address by His Excellency Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania
12. Address by His Excellency Abdrabuh Mansour Hadi Mansour, President of the Republic of Yemen
13. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by Her Excellency Aja Isatou Njie-Saidy, Vice-President of the Republic of the Gambia

    Statement by His Excellency General Prayut Chan-o-Cha, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand

    Statement by His Excellency Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Statement by His Excellency Habib Essid, Head of Government of the Republic of Tunisia

Statement by His Excellency Samuela 'Akilisi Pohiva, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade and Minister for Education and Training of the Kingdom of Tonga

United Kingdom

Australia

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. Executive meeting
2. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

Other meetings

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Arab Group (Arab-South-American meeting)

09:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level)

10:00 to 11:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

OIC Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)

11:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

OIC Contact Group on Rohingya (at the ministerial level)

15:00 to 16:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Other activities

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Tuesday, 29 September 2015

High-level event on "Empowering Women in Climate Action" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of France, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

From 08:00 to 09:30, in Conference Room 12. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Antonin D'Ersu, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail antonin.dersu@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4946).]

High-level event on "Climate Risk And Early Warning Systems (CREWS): Early Warning System and Risk Information to reduce climate impacts in vulnerable countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, in collaboration with the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR), the World Bank, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO))

From 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 5. [webcast]

[For further information, please contact Ms. Rachel Rouchouse, Permanent Mission of France (tel. 1 (212) 702-49330); or e-mail crews.initiative@diplomatie.gouv.fr.]

Event on "The Fundamental Link between Climate and Development: Identifying links for both" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liberia and Norway, and the Center for Global Development)

From 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gail Farngalo, Permanent Mission of Liberia (e-mail zakwahf@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (212) 687-1033).]

Event entitled "Making it happen: ending inequalities and ensuring sanitation, water and hygiene for all as a basis for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Hungary, the Netherlands and South Africa, in collaboration with UN-Water, Sanitation and Water for All, Water Aid, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the Women for Water Partnership)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sophia van den Ende, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail sophia-vanden.ende@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (646) 515-2914).]

Event on "Moving Away from the Death Penalty: The Voices of Victims' Families" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Benin, Fiji, France, Italy and Rwanda, and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3. [webcast]

[All permanent missions and observer missions, United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

High-level event on "Making it happen: From Millennium Development Goals to Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific" (co-organized by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Asian Development Bank)

From 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sudip Ranjan Basu, ESCAP (e-mail basu@un.org).]

High-level event on "Millennium Development Goals to Sustainable Development Goals: A Way Forward" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh)

From 16:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 4. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Andalib Elias, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail andalib.elias@mofa.gov.bd; tel. 1 (212) 867-3434).]

High-level ministerial event on "Leaving No one Behind: Equality and Inclusion in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, El Salvador, France, Israel, Japan, Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the United Kingdom and Uruguay, the United States Mission, the European Union, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Human Rights Watch (HRW) and the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC))

From 17:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the European Union Delegation (e-mails yaron.oppenheimer@minbuza.nl; or rafael.de-bustamante@eeas europa.eu); to register, please *click here*.]

High-level officials meeting (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador and the Africa-South America Cooperative Forum (ASACOF))

At 17:15, in Conference Room 3.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sergio Shcherbakov, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 935-1680).]

Announcements

Tuesday, 29 September 2015

Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV) [webcast]

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty will be held *today*, 29 September 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1.

Participants wishing to distribute copies of their statements are requested to provide *300 copies* of their official statements for distribution in the conference room. The United Nations Secretariat does not provide photocopying services. Further information on the Conference can be found on the CTBTO Preparatory Commission website (*click here*); or on the ODA website by *clicking here*.

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative, up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp

Tuesday, 29 September 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences scheduled for *today*, 29 September 2015, please *click here*.

Official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on indicators and terminology relating to disaster risk reduction
First session
Geneva, 29-30 September 2015 [webcast]

The Open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on indicators and terminology relating to disaster risk reduction, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/284 of 3 June 2015, will hold its first session *today*, 29 September and *tomorrow*, 30 September 2015.

The first meeting will be convened *today*, 29 September 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room XIX. The provisional agenda and the provisional calendar and programme of work are contained in documents A/AC.285/1 and A/AC.285/2, respectively. Background information on the Working group and relevant documents are available by *clicking here*.

General Assembly
Seventieth session
General debate (28 September-3 October 2015)

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum. Delegations may wish to inform their capitals accordingly.

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate in the Security Council Chamber on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber, on "Settlement of conflicts in the Middle East and North Africa and countering terrorist threat in the region." in connection with the agenda item "Maintenance of international peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). *Delegations that will participate in this open debate at high level should clearly indicate the exact name and title of the speaker in the Rule 37 inscription letter.* Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.
Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

A meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the "International Day for the Total elimination of Nuclear Weapons" will be held on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, at 11:00, in Conference Room 1. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 September 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Ms. Lucia Andaya (e-mail andaya@un.org). Statements should not exceed *four minutes*. Delegations are also requested to kindly submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart10@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement

The Secretary-General will hold a high-level meeting on "Strengthening cooperation on migration and refugee movements in the perspective of the new development agenda" on Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 4. A secondary pass for each participant will be required for this meeting; a total of *three passes* will be issued per delegation. Speakers are reminded that their statements will be limited to *three minutes*.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

In accordance with the General Assembly resolution 69/316, as part of commemoration of the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations, a high-level thematic debate on the theme "Maintenance of international peace and security", will be convened on Thursday, 1, and Friday, 2 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 September 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063). Statements should not exceed *five minutes*. Delegations are also requested to kindly submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart10@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 30 September 2015

General Assembly
Seventieth session

09:00 19th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Rosen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria
2. Address by His Excellency Juan Carlos Varela Rodriguez, President of the Republic of Panama
3. Address by His Excellency Maithripala Sirisena, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

4. Address by Her Excellency Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović, President of the Republic of Croatia
5. Address by His Excellency Michel Kafando, President of the Transition and President of Burkina Faso
6. Address by His Excellency Luis Guillermo Solís Rivera, President of the Republic of Costa Rica
7. Address by His Excellency John Dramani Mahama, President of the Republic of Ghana
8. Address by His Excellency Faure Essozimna Gnassingbé, President of the Togolese Republic
9. Address by His Excellency Boni Yayi, President of the Republic of Benin
10. Address by His Majesty Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di Pertuan of Negara Brunei Darussalam
11. Address by His Excellency Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine
12. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by His Excellency Ahmet Davutoğlu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey

    Statement by Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

    Statement by His Excellency Stefan Löfven, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Sweden

    Statement by His Excellency Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

    Statement by Her Excellency Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

    Statement by His Excellency Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji

    Statement by His Excellency Joseph Muscat, Prime Minister of the Republic of Malta

    Statement by His Excellency Charles Michel, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Belgium

    Statement by His Excellency Tammam Salam, President of the Council of Ministers of the Lebanese Republic

15:00 20th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Raimonds Vējonis, President of the Republic of Latvia
2. Address by His Excellency Tomislav Nikolić, President of the Republic of Serbia
3. Address by His Excellency Ismaël Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti
4. Address by His Excellency Choummaly Sayasone, President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic
5. Address by Her Excellency Catherine Samba-Panza, Head of State of the Transition of the Central African Republic

6. Address by His Excellency Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea
7. Address by His Excellency Baron Divavesi Waqa, President of the Republic of Nauru
8. Address by His Excellency Agila Saleh Essa Gwaider, Acting Head of State of Libya
9. Address by His Excellency Christopher Loeak, President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands
10. Address by His Excellency Ikililou Dhoinine, President of the Union of the Comoros
11. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

    Statement by His Excellency Miro Cerar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia

    Statement by His Excellency Meltek Sato Kilman Livtuvanu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Vanuatu

    Statement by His Excellency Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Independent State of Samoa

    Statement by His Excellency Haider Al Abadi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq

    Statement by His Excellency Valeriu Strelet, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova

    Morocco

    Monaco

    Azerbaijan

    Spain

General Assembly

Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251), see document A/70/252 for allocation of items. The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda and the general debate of the seventieth session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/INF/70/4. A draft programme of the work of the plenary for the seventieth session is contained in document A/69/972.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

Organizational meeting

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4, to consider its provisional programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/70/CRP.1) and indicative timetable for thematic discussions

(A/C.1/70/CRP.2). A list of documents of the Committee will be issued toward the end of September as A/C.1/70/INF/1.

Programme of work

The Committee will hold its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Thursday, 8, to Friday, 16 October 2015. The Committee will then hold thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items from Monday, 19 October to Monday, 2 November (morning). Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items will be from Monday, 2 November (afternoon) to Monday, 9 November 2015.

In the afternoon of Thursday, 22 October 2015, a joint ad hoc meeting of the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability will be held, pursuant to resolution 69/38.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open until Friday, 9 October 2015*, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will open on Monday, 12 October and close on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail.

Room reservations

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057).

Background information

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds.

With respect to (i) the process for consideration of possible programme budget implications (PBIs) of draft resolutions and decisions and (ii) editing of draft resolutions and decisions, an archived video of a 41-minute briefing by the Secretariat made after the 1st meeting of the sixty-ninth session, on 3 October 2014, is available by *clicking here*.

PaperSmart services

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, from15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 4. The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/C.4/70/L.1.

The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Thursday, 8 October, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee *is now open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

PaperSmart services

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Specia lPolitical and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal *(click here)* only after delivery by delegations.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail

4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information and website

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its substantive work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2. The programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the session are available on the web site of the Committee by *clicking here*.

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for the general debate (Wednesday, 7, to Friday, 9 October 2015) and general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *are open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)). In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the time limits of *seven minutes* for individual Member States and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services will be available to the Second Committee at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

QuickPlace

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The Committee will begin its work on Tuesday, 6 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1. The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee *is* open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session, is available by *clicking here*.

QuickPlace and eSponsorship

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Room reservations

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org).

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available.

Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00 in Conference Room 3, to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, issued as document A/C.5/70/1.

The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/70/L.1.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Composition of delegations

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session (General Assembly decision 69/529 of 10 December 2014), as well as background information on the Sixth Committee and links to official documentation to be considered at the seventieth session, is available on the Committee's website (*click here*).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). *Please note* that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), agenda item 85 (Rule of law at the national and international levels) and agenda item 80 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Representatives of member States and observer States may register for access to the Unite Connections community of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session, through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee.

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 273rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Monday, 5 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 11. Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should

indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinhal@un.org, Room S-3632).

The meeting will *not be open* to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing (closed), convened by the Chair (Ghana) of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, on Wednesday, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 12. The briefing is open to members of the Advisory Committee and other interested delegates (Fifth Committee and Sixth Committee).

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to notify the Secretary, *in writing* (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Arab Group (Arab-South-American Ministerial Meeting)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 09:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 11.

OIC Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Mali (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 12.

OIC Contact Group on Yemen (at the ministerial level)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 12.

OIC (Annual Coordination Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs) (at the ministerial level)

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1; and

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1.

International Criminal Court: Meeting of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 08:30 to 09:30, in Conference Room 9.

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level event on "Uniting around the Principle of Humanity" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kuwait and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 07:45 to 09:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Christopher Frassetto, ICRC (e-mail cfrassetto@icrc.org; tel. 1 (212) 599-6021).]

High-level event on the "World Humanitarian Summit: Humanitarian Action - A Forward Looking Agenda" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 2.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Rodriguez, OCHA (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2770).]

Event on "Community-led Development: Key to Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Philippines and the Movement for Community-led Development)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 10:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Maria Teresa Narbuada, Permanent Mission of the Philippines (e-mail tetnarbuada@nypm.org; tel. 1 (212) 764-1300).]

Ceremony of the Formal Establishment of Small Island Developing States Sustainable Energy Initiative DOCK (SIDS DOCK) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Dominica, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Austria, Denmark, Japan and Sweden, and the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC), the United Nations Industrial Organization (UNIDO) and the Clinton Climate Initiative (CCI))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Permanent Mission of Dominica (e-mail dominicaun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 599-8478).]

High-level ministerial meeting on "Framing the veto in the event of mass atrocities" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France and Mexico)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 11:00 to 12:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of France (Mr. Aymeric Chuzeville (e-mail aymeric.chuzeville@diplomatie.gouv.fr); or Ms. Ahlem Gharbi (e-mail ahlem.gharbi@diplomatie.gouv.fr); tel. 1 (212) 702-4900); or the Permanent Mission of Mexico (Mr. Ricardo Alday (e-mail ralday@sre.gob.mx); or Ms. Lorena Alvarado (e-mail lalvarado@sre.gob.mx); tel. 1 (212) 752-0220).]

High-level ministerial event on "Ending Child Early and Forced Marriages: Reaffirming our commitment to move towards collective action" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liberia and Zambia, and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 12:00 to 13:15, in Conference Room 3.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Dilini Dharmadasa, Permanent Mission of Zambia (e-mail ndharmadasa@aol.com; tel. 1 (212) 888-5770).]

High-level meeting on "Ad Hoc Liaison Committee Meeting" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 13:15 to 15:00, in Conference Room 8 (Conference Room 5 will serve as an overflow room).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Emilie Everett, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail emilie.everett@mfa.no).]

Ad hoc meeting of high-level officials (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador and the Africa-South America Cooperative Forum (ASACOF))

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Sergio Shcherbakov, Permanent Mission of Ecuador (e-mail ecuador@un.it; tel. 1 (212) 935-1680).]

High-level ministerial event on "Women, Peace and Security in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Kenya, Namibia, Spain, Thailand and the United Arab Emirates)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Cupellini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).]

Event on "Transitions to democracy and sustainable development: Lessons from country experiences" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) and the Community of Democracies)

Wednesday, 30 September 2015, from 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room 6.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran Lettrich, Office of the Permanent Observer for International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).]

High-level ministerial event on "The Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. René Holbach, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail rene.holbach@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 230).]

Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations Annual Ministerial Meeting (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Thursday, 1 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6209 or 1 (929) 274-6212).]

High-level briefing on "Preparations for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) on the World Drug Problem" (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Friday, 2 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All permanent missions and permanent observers are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jason Reichelt, UNODC (e-mail reichelt@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3704).]

Briefing on "Women's rights in conflict: evidence and recommendations" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Uruguay, the Human Rights Watch and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 5 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca).]

High-level launch of the *Nelson Mandela Rules – the Draft Revised Standard Minimum Rules on the Treatment of Prisoners* (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Wednesday, 7 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Matteo Pasquali, UNODC (e-mail pasquali@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).]

Event entitled "Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) National Action Plans: Rising to the Challenges of International Security and the Emergence of Artificial Intelligence" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia, in collaboration with the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Wednesday, 7 October 2015, from 15:00 to 17:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Giorgi Kvelashvili, Permanent Mission of Georgia (e-mail gkvelashvili@mfa.gov.ge; tel. 1 (212) 759-1949, ext. 208).]

Announcements

Live coverage of the general debate of the General Assembly (28 September–1 October 2015)

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the General Assembly Website. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

The General Debate website (*click here*) will cover live the debate in English and French, where each speaker will have a dedicated page with their photo, summary of their speech, video in English, French and original language and downloadable audio versions of their speech in all United Nations official languages, as well as the texts of their statements.

The general debate of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live (in all United Nations official languages) and on-demand (English and original language) over the Internet. The broadcast will be accessible through the United Nations Web TV website by *clicking here*.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2015*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents (English, French, Spanish)

Treaty Research (English)

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation (English)

General Assembly Documentation (English, French)

Security Council Documentation (English)

Finding Speeches (English)

Voting Information (English)

Introduction to Library Services (English)

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Sunday, 27 September 2015

General Assembly

Seventieth session

[archived video]

11th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda [items 15 and 116]

The General Assembly continued the High-level Plenary Meeting of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard addresses by His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America; His Excellency Horacio Manuel Cartes Jara, President of the Republic of Paraguay; His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic; His Excellency Luis Guillermo Solís Rivera, President of the Republic of Costa Rica; His Excellency John Dramani Mahama, President of the Republic of Ghana; His Excellency Enrique Peña Nieto, President of the United Mexican States; Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania; and His Excellency Filip Vujanović, President of Montenegro.

Statements were made by His Excellency Manasseh Sogavare, Prime Minister of Solomon Islands; His Excellency Nikola Gruevski, President of the Government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; His Excellency Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan; and His Excellency General Prayut Chan-o-Cha, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand.

The representative of Greece made a statement on a point of order.

Statements were made by His Excellency Xavier Bettel, Prime Minister of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg; His Excellency David Cameron, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; His Excellency Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius; and His Excellency Ahmet Davutoğlu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey.

Summaries by the Co-Chairs of the interactive dialogues

Statements were made by His Excellency Miro Cerar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia, as Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 1; Her Excellency Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic, President of the Republic of Croatia, as Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 2; His Excellency Charles Michel, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Belgium, as Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 3; Her Excellency Michelle Bachelet Jeria, President of the Republic of Chile, as Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 5; His Excellency Abdoulaye Balde, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development of Senegal, on behalf of the Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 6; and His Excellency Ollanta Humala Tasso, President of the Republic of Peru, as Co-Chair of Interactive Dialogue 4.

12th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda [items 15 and 116]

The General Assembly continued the High-level Plenary Meeting of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

His Excellency Miroslav Lajčák, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia, made a statement.

Statements were made by His Excellency Arsenio Balisacan, Minister of Socioeconomic Planning of the Philippines; His Excellency Rui Machete, Minister of State and Foreign Affairs of Portugal; His Excellency Gilbert Saboya Sunye, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Andorra; His Excellency Ri Su Yong, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Her Excellency Julie Bishop, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia; His Excellency Ramtane Lamamra, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Algeria; and His Excellency Héctor Marcos Timerman, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina.

The General Assembly heard an address by His Excellency Andrzej Duda, President of the Republic of Poland.

His Excellency Yoweri Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and Co-Chair of the High-level Plenary Meeting, declared the United Nations Summit for the adoption of the Post-2015 Development Agenda closed.

Monday, 28 September 2015

General Assembly

Seventieth session

[archived video]

13th plenary meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/70/1) [item 109]

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Opening of the general debate [item 8]

The President made a statement.

Address by Her Excellency Dilma Rousseff, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil

Her Excellency Dilma Rousseff, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America

His Excellency Barack Obama, President of the United States of America, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Andrzej Duda, President of the Republic of Poland

His Excellency Andrzej Duda, President of the Republic of Poland, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China

His Excellency Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Majesty Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

His Majesty Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Vladimir Putin, President of the Russian Federation

His Excellency Vladimir Putin, President of the Russian Federation, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Park Geun-hye, President of the Republic of Korea

Her Excellency Park Geun-hye, President of the Republic of Korea, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran

His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar

His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic

His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique

His Excellency Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Majesty Willem-Alexander, King of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

His Majesty Willem-Alexander, King of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Enrique Peña Nieto, President of the United Mexican States

His Excellency Enrique Peña Nieto, President of the United Mexican States, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Aníbal António Cavaco Silva, President of the Portuguese Republic

His Excellency Aníbal António Cavaco Silva, President of the Portuguese Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Statements were made by His Excellency Lars Løkke Rasmussen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark; and His Excellency Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

14th–15th plenary meetings

The summary of the 14th and 15th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2015/187).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 20 November 1989

Withdrawal of reservations and declarations: Austria (28 September 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Bahamas (28 September 2015)

Signature: Myanmar (28 September 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Bahamas (28 September 2015)

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Accession: Singapore (28 September 2015)

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: Bahamas (28 September 2015)

Signature: Belarus (28 September 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Ratification: Mongolia (28 September 2015)

Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol. Doha, 8 December 2012

Acceptance: Algeria (28 September 2015)

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013

Ratification: Republic of Moldova (28 September 2015)

Minamata Convention on Mercury. Kumamoto, 10 October 2013

Ratification: Mongolia (28 September 2015)

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African States:
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His Excellency Fodé Seck

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His Excellency Dato Abdul Ghafar Ismail

Eastern European States:
Serbia
His Excellency Milan Milanović

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Her Excellency Menissa Rambally

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